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**PATENT**  
**Case No.: 9683/82**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 2683
Youichi Tanibayashi, et al.	)	
	)	Examiner Stephen M. D Agosta
Serial No.: 09/786,818	)	
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Filed: March 9, 2001	)	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

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Prior to further examination on the merits, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. This Preliminary Amendment is being timely filed with a two (2) month extension of time and an Information Disclosure Statement, which are enclosed herewith.

**Claim amendments begin on pg. 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks begin on pg. 25 of this paper.**